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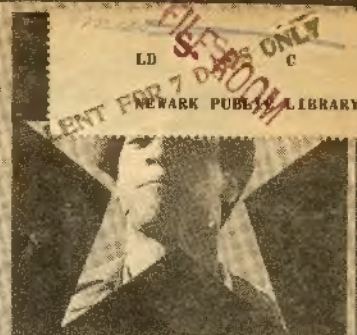
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WELFARE CANDY



Sent Home- Where there is nothing to eat.

Anyone who has ever had any dealings with the Welfare Department knows it for what it is - a racist, dehumanizing institution whose apathetic attitude toward the welfare of its recipients contradicts the very reason for its existence. Mothers who are recipients of welfare have been harassed, insulted, intimidated and have been forced to submit their children to similar experiences in order to be granted barely enough money to survive.

Mrs. Shirley Harris, nine months pregnant, lives in the Orchard Park Housing Project in Boston (Massachusetts) with her son Marvin, five years old. Recently she contacted the Black Panther Party seeking aid. She had no food to feed her hungry child

because she had not received her welfare checks for the past month. Before that, she had only received a check for \$24. We were able to raise money for Mrs. Harris and her family so that they could survive.

She explained to us that she had been to the Welfare Department, when her regular check did not come, to ask for some emergency assistance in the form of food orders. She literally had no food. During her last visit there, her son Marvin began crying for something to eat. The racist case worker had the audacity to offer this hungry Black child a piece of "her" candy.

Mrs. Harris reminded this white woman that candy was not what Marvin needed, and that she had not come

there for that. She had come to get help to give him the nutritious meals he needed and deserved. Anyone who knows anything of these "social services" agencies knows that such human pleas are meaningless words spoken to blank walls. This social worker merely ignored Mrs. Harris, sending her and her 5-year old son home to their house, where there was nothing to eat.

After assisting Mrs. Harris with money for food, members of the Black Panther Party accompanied her to talk with a supervisor at the Welfare Department. Since Mrs. Harris was not alone, the supervisor attempted to put on a show of concern. We immediately saw through this and demanded a complete review of Mrs. Harris' records to find out what had been happening with her money. What was discovered was that the Welfare Department had actually been robbing Mrs. Harris and her son for the past year, by making unnecessary deductions from her checks and lying to her to make it legal. (Such as, money having been deducted for "unpaid rent", when actually the rent had been paid up for all of last year.)

Since then, Mrs. Harris has received a part of the money that was owed her and her family. The suffering and hardship which Mrs. Harris has endured cannot be erased; neither can the constant harassment and neglect of the many welfare recipients throughout this country be ignored any longer.

We look forward to the day when the basic necessities for survival, such as food, clothing and shelter are guaranteed to all people and we no longer have to sit down and "prove" to some racist administrator that our children are hungry before we are given food to feed them.

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FRED HUBBARD: SCAPEGOAT IN A BILLION DOLLAR GAME

For the past few weeks, the Federal government and the City and State governments of Chicago, Illinois have used the reactionary news media to publicize their frame-up charges against Black Second Ward Alderman, Fred Hubbard. They have accused Fred Hubbard of Criminal Mismanagement of government funds, allocated for use in one of the Daley administration's federally-funded pacification programs, known as the Chicago Plan.

It is difficult for us to understand how this claim can be made, even uttered, since this charge, embezzlement, is usually the daily activity of white, corporate businessmen, because Blacks are rarely allowed to get that close to even that amount of money. And the further insult to our intelligence is that fact that while the U.S. government wishes to create such a major issue of what they say Fred Hubbard did, they feel nothing about the thousands of Black brothers and sisters who are spending life sentences charged with "robbing" petty cash, while the white embezzler of hundreds of thousands of dollars is usually spanked on the hand with a couple of years probation because he got caught. (George Jackson has spent eleven years in prison, having been sentenced to from one year to life, for alleged participation in a \$70. robbery of a gas station.)

The Chicago Plan, created in January of 1970 by the devious mind of the U.S. government, of which Alderman Hubbard was appointed Project Director, was supposedly instituted by the City of Chicago for the purpose of bringing 4,000 minority group peo-



ALDERMAN FRED HUBBARD

ple into the Building Trades Unions, who had been earlier denied admittance to the membership of the union, due to racism.

Needless to say, this "program" did not function in service to the Black community. Racism has always kept countless qualified Blacks out of the Building Trades Unions and this same racism has always been condoned and encouraged by the Federal government. Also, the high technological level this country has achieved is constantly putting people out of work, instead of creating jobs.

The Federal and City governments had no intentions of providing jobs for minorities. The Chicago Plan was set up to dupe the poor and oppressed people of Chicago into believing that the power structure was finally going to do something about their sub-standard living conditions, and to provide construction jobs for Black and other poor people of color. The Chicago Plan also had the desired effect of having minority groups fight and quarrel among themselves for construction jobs that did not even exist; instead of being united against the common enemy, they would fight each other for what is supposed to be theirs in the first place.

Fred Hubbard has been indicted at the order of the Federal government for allegedly stealing money from the Chicago Plan Program, by forging checks up to the amount of \$98,000. But, Hubbard is not in custody, as he has been missing for over three weeks, and no one knows if he is alive or dead. Whether Alderman Hubbard forged checks or not, isn't the point. The point is that the Federal, State and City powers would have us believe that a Black man, Fred Hubbard, is responsible for the miserable failure of the Chicago Plan Program; that this one individual Black man is therefore to be held responsible for the economic plight of the Black community and the failure of the racist, fascist American government to even pretend that it cares about Black People.

Do they wish to make us believe that Fred Hubbard stole from the Black community? This is only another version of the divide and rule tactic that has been used against us for so long. This racist country has been stealing everything, including our lives, from Black People for so long, that it is the utmost in racist, arrogant gall for them to try and charge one Black man with their centuries-old crime. Particularly in the well-known Mafioso town of Chicago. The Black Community cannot be so easily fooled.

The Black Panther Party sees that Fred Hubbard is only an unwilling pawn, a scapegoat, used by the government to hide their inability to function in the true interests of Black and oppressed people. Fred Hubbard, wherever he may be, is not responsible for the collapse of the Chicago Plan, for it was doomed to fail at the outset. And the government knew this. That was its function. The government creates these doomed programs - like the poverty programs that developed after Watts 1965 - in order to build hopes and then "prove" that there's no hope for any change in our wretched condition.

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Illinois Chapter
BLACK PANTHER PARTY

PEOPLE'S FREE LIBRARY

In America, one of the problems of Black people is that the educational system has not been concerned about whether we understand ourselves, our surroundings and our world. We have always said that we want an education that shows us what our true history is as Black People carted into this country for cheap labor, what our present situation is as poor and oppressed people and what our future is as a people free of the physical and mental chains of oppression.

The Pennsylvania State Chapter of the Black Panther Party has opened a People's Free Library at our Black Community Center. We know that understanding the things we see around us is important, to see these things for ourselves is important, to read ideas of others is important also. It is good to read about the past so that you can have an idea of what to expect in the future. In order to find out where you're going, it helps to know where you've been. "If man does not have knowledge of himself and his position in society and the world, then he has little chance to relate to anything else."

The People's Free Library contains many truly educational books that are relevant to the community and our day-to-day struggle to gain freedom. Community people as well as students will find the library to be a great source of help. The youth can begin to learn some of the things that the Philadelphia School System refuses to teach them. There are books for and by Black writers, actors, athletes, poets, etc., however, the books are not limited to subjects on the Black community and its history alone. We have books about the communities of the world as well.

The library is open daily from 1 to 6 pm, Sundays from 2 to 5 pm. It is located at 2315 Ridge Avenue, Philadelphia. We are a growing library, so that donations of books and periodicals are welcome. Education is a necessity for our survival.

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Pennsylvania Chapter
Black Panther Party

THEY'RE EVEN SHOOTING THOSE WHO TEACH OUR YOUTH

They are the East Cleveland racist police, in collusion with other local white racists, Mose Wendell Mitchell, a 29-year old Black Shaw High School Industrial Arts Teacher, was brutally beaten and then shot down and murdered in cold blood by five members of the East Cleveland Police Department on June 5, 1971. The reactionary mass media, working hand-in-hand with this racist police department, has attempted to portray this Brother as a criminal. However, all who knew Mose (Sip) Mitchell said he got along with everyone, did not hate anyone, had pride in his People and worked extremely well with the Youth.



MOSE WENDELL MITCHELL

Brother Mose was merely walking down Euclid Avenue, when a white woman drove out of a driveway, blocking the sidewalk. That is, that in front of 14932 Euclid, a big, white boarding house for elderly roomers, 52-year old Mary Garrett drove her white Corvair out of the driveway, blocking the sidewalk. In order to avoid being hit by this arrogant white woman, according to witnesses, Mitchell jumped over the hood of the car. Mary Garrett then followed Mitchell down the street, cursing and uttering racial slurs at him, because he had touched her car. Mary Garrett then suddenly started screaming, "Help! Call the police." A white taxi driver, Jack G. Lavery, heard her and ran to a nearby Patrolman, Keith Reider, Lavery told Reider what his racist mind made him believe, that a Black man had robbed a white woman.



FELESIA LONG

Mose Mitchell was still walking down the street. He met his fifteen-year old cousin, Felesia Long, and started to walk her home, when Reider told him to stop. Mary Garrett was still driving alongside of him and still shouting. But now that Reider was there, she shouted, "That's him; that's the one." Mitchell, not even knowing or realizing what was going on, threw up his hands, dropping the cane he was carrying. He asked, "What, what is the matter?" Then, in an absolutely bizarre move, venting all of her racism, Mary Garrett struck this brother with the cane, under the protective eye of pig Reider.

Black people who witnessed the entire scene told how four more police then arrived, and how all five began beating Mitchell mercilessly, while he was handcuffed. The gun of one pig was resting on Mitchell's neck, while that pig was kneeling on him. Mitchell tried to push the gun away, saying, "Don't shoot me!" Instead of listening to the Brother's cries, the trigger-happy racist fired several fatal shots into Mitchell's neck, chest and back. Over-anxious Pig Reider, so excited over this opportunity to kill another Black man, wounded himself in the hand and wounded one of his crime partners, Anthony D'Agostino, in the foot. The two wounded policemen were rushed to the hospital, but Mitchell was left lying on the street for 20 minutes, while more police harassed and threatened those who had witnessed their crime.

The Black community is expected to believe East Cleveland Police De-

partment's claims that Brother Mose Wendell Mitchell resisted arrest, and that five, big, trained policemen could not handle him: "We were able to get one handcuff on him, but he reached up and took Patrolman D'Agostino's gun out of the holster, and with both hands, he fired four shots, wounding two patrolmen, before he was shot by another patrolman." And the Cleveland Press asked the Black community to believe its headline: "Purse-snatcher wounds two police; is killed in shootout." This all happened at 1:00 pm, in broad daylight, and in front of many witnesses.



Keith Reider



Anthony D'Agostino

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FREE HUEY!

The true story of the trial of Huey P. Newton for murder.

by Edward M. Keating

Introduction by Charles R. Garry

"During the course of Huey's trial, as Ed Keating describes, we found that the transcript of a tape-recorded statement made by a key prosecution witness had been incorrectly transcribed at a crucial point.

We found our efforts to correct this important error in time for the jury to be told of it impeded and undermined by the prosecution.

We found that prosecution witnesses were changing their testimony from that which they had given in earlier statements or in testimony before the grand jury so that their stories would conform to the police version of the incident. We also discovered that one witness must have been intimidated into supplying testimony favorable to the prosecution's case, and that another witness was kept hidden from us completely so that we couldn't interview him, or delve into his background before he went on the witness stand."

"By reading FREE HUEY! you will, I hope, come to realize that the trial of Huey Newton (as are the trials of Bobby Seale, David Hilliard and almost every other Black Panther Party member) is really the trial of all black people in America. They must not be sacrificed to this country's genocidal world-wide crusade against people of color.

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—Charles R. Garry

from the introduction to FREE HUEY!

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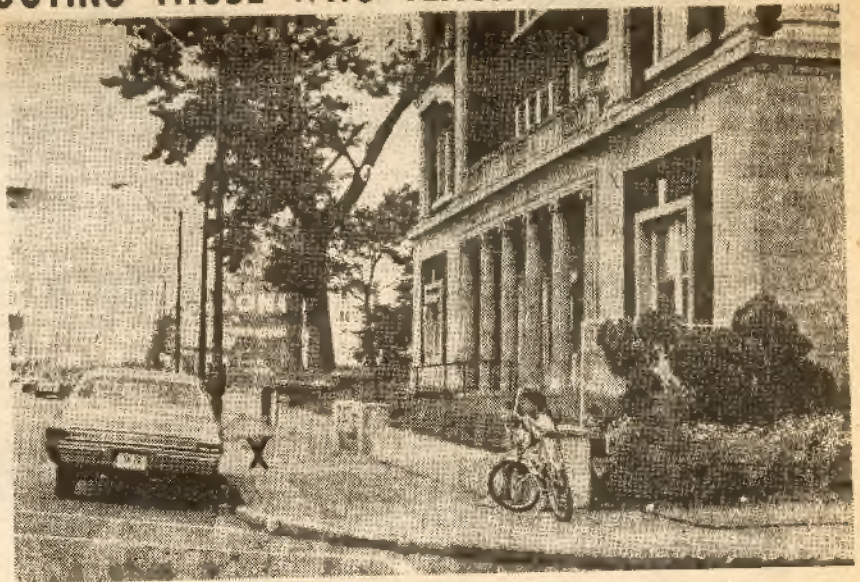
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THEY'RE EVEN SHOOTING THOSE WHO TEACH OUR YOUTH

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The East Cleveland Black community, however, made it obvious that Black people were not going to allow another Black man, an innocent man, to be murdered and remain silent. There was a spontaneous, peaceful meeting on Tuesday, June 8, of 900 Black people at the Starlight Baptist Church, which is located right near the spot on which Mose Mitchell was murdered. A crowd of 300 then marched to City Hall to talk with Gladstone L. Chandler, the Black City Manager of East Cleveland. Seeing the unrelenting concern of the People, Chandler returned to the Church with the people and called an immediate meeting with the city commissioners. He then announced the suspension without pay, for the period of an investigation, of the five police involved. They were: Sgt. Ralph Winter; Patrolmen Anthony D' Agostino Keith Reider, John Donich and Terrence Lucas.

The issue is not the suspension or firing of five policemen. The issue is the survival of Black People in this racist, genocidal society. For the murder of an innocent Black man, who only wanted to teach our children, stands as another painful reminder that Black People do not control the communities in which we live. 70% of East Cleveland is Black; yet, East Cleveland is run by white businessmen, many of whom are admitted racists. These are the men who decide the



Brother Mitchell was shot down like a dog in the street.

policy for all the community institutions - which are also white racist operated - including the police force, 90% of which is white.

County Coroner Gerber agreed with Police Chief O'Malley and the rest of the Klan that Mitchell had fired a gun and that there was no proof of any physical abuse received by Mitchell. The murder naturally was ruled "justifiable homicide" by East Cleveland Prosecutor, Henry B. Fisher.

The Black community of East Cleveland is crying to control its community. For when a man like Brother Mitchell, who got himself an education, who did no harm to anyone, can be shot down like a dog in the street, particularly on the whimsical word of a white woman, we know that we must control our communities. United together we can do this.

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Ohio State Chapter
BLACK PANTHER PARTY



PETITION

FOR CROSS SECTION OF COMMUNITY ON JURIES AND FOR PROBATION OR APPEAL BAIL BOND FOR BROTHER DAVID HILLIARD:

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMUNITY PEOPLE, DO HEREBY PETITION THAT BROTHER DAVID HILLIARD, CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY, PRESENTLY HELD BY ALAMEDA COUNTY AS A POLITICAL PRISONER, BE GRANTED HIS CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT OF AN APPEAL BAILBOND OR PROBATION, PENDING APPEAL OF HIS CASE TO A HIGHER COURT.

THE U.S. CONSTITUTION STATES THAT JURIES SHALL REFLECT A CROSS-SECTION OF A COMMUNITY, OR A PEER GROUP. THERE WERE NO BLACK PEOPLE ON THE JURY IN THE CASE OF BROTHER DAVID HILLIARD, ALTHOUGH 38% OF THE OAKLAND COMMUNITY IS BLACK. FIVE BLACK PEOPLE SAT ON THE JURY IN THE RECENTLY DISMISSED CASE OF BOBBY SEALE AND ERICKA HUGGINS, EVEN THOUGH ONLY 9% OF THE NEW HAVEN COMMUNITY IS BLACK. THEREFORE, THE CASE OF DAVID HILLIARD, PARTICULARLY, CLEARLY POINTS OUT THE NEED TO HAVE PROPER REPRESENTATION ON JURIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY.

IN THE LIGHT OF THESE FACTS, WE THEREFORE PETITION THAT DAVID HILLIARD BE GRANTED HIS CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT OF AN APPEAL BAILBOND OR PROBATION, PENDING APPEAL OF HIS CASE TO A HIGHER COURT, AND THAT THE RE-TRIAL JURY REPRESENT A TRUE CROSS-SECTION OF THE COMMUNITY.

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WHITE VIGILANTES ATTACK BLACK FAMILY - NORTH OF THE MASON-DIXON LINE

On Saturday, June 19th, the Bennett Family, a Black family living at 2924 Wharton Street in the South Philadelphia area, was brutally attacked by a gang of white youths. As a result of this vicious attack, Patricia Bennett was hospitalized with severe head injuries that required forty-two stitches.

Charles and Patricia Bennett had been walking to the store to purchase some items for their mother. This gang of white youths deliberately pushed Charles as he passed them. Charles turned and asked for an apology. They apologized, only to grab him from behind as he turned to walk away. These junior nazis then spun him around and hit him in the mouth. The entire gang (about fifteen members) then jumped on Charles and his sister Patricia. Their mother, Mrs. Bennett, was standing on her front porch at the time and saw what was happening to her children. She went to their aid, at the same time instructing another of her sons to telephone the police for help.

The police arrived shortly afterwards. Instead of breaking up the fight and protecting the lives of Charles and Patricia, they moved to surround the Bennetts themselves, the victims of the attack, allowing the white gang to escape the circle. At this point, the police began to beat the members of the Bennett Family with their night sticks. One policeman pulled his gun on Charles, placing it at his stomach, while others dragged his mother by her thumbs to a waiting paddy wagon. While this was taking place, the same white youths returned with more white



PATRICIA BENNETT

people. These were adults, relatives and friends of the gang members. All of these white people joined together in attacking the Bennett Family, right under the watchful eyes of the police. They started hurling bottles and bricks at the Bennetts and then at other Black people from the community that were observing the police and their aspiring young vigilantes. Not only were these white youths attacking the people, they also turned their attack toward the residents' houses, which were empty because everyone was outside, trying to explain the situation to the police. They broke most of the windows of the Black people's homes, leaving very few intact.

Mrs. Bennett later explained that this was not an isolated incident, that it was just one of the more serious attacks of this type against Black people, their cars and homes by these groups of young whites in that area. The Pennsylvania Chapter of the Black Panther Party sees clearly that these out-right attacks by racist gangs, supported by one of that neighborhood's finest turn-outs, the infamous Philadelphia Police Commissioner, Frank "Bozo" Rizzo, will not stop by themselves, for they've increased to new levels. And there can be no easy solution. But since the Bennett Family, along with the residents in this area and throughout the city are calling for a united front of all the people to stop these police-supported attacks on Black people, we know that in unity there can be a solution.

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Pennsylvania State Chapter
BLACK PANTHER PARTY

THE BLACK COMMUNITY OF CHESTER, PENNSYLVANIA IS UNITING



An incident involving the police and the Black community, which occurred in March of this year, demonstrates how the people of the Black community of Chester, Pennsylvania have refused to be intimidated by the murderous police forces. The following is an account of that incident as told by the People's Committee, formed just after the incident took place by the people of Chester to work in the interests of the people of their community:

"On Saturday evening, March 27, 1971, between the hours of 8:30 and 9:00 pm, the Chester Police were summoned to 908 Upland Street to answer a domestic complaint. Patrolman Ronald J. Tussie answered the call. Upon his arrival, he saw James Blackwell, age 25, standing in front of 908 Upland Street. Without asking any questions, Patrolman Tussie ordered James away from the premises. James continually tried to explain that he was waiting for his wife, Iona Blackwell, who was inside the house, but to no avail. Finally, James was grabbed by the police officer and told that he was under arrest. James questioned the officer as to why he was under arrest and then a struggle ensued.

"During the struggle, the police officer and James fell to the ground, with the officer attempting to use his nightstick and James trying to prevent him from doing so. Patrolman Tussie lifted James off the ground by his belt and threw him up beside the patrol car. At this time, James found an opportunity to flee. James ran up the alley, which is next to 908 Upland Street. Patrolman Ronald J. Tussie shot James in the back without any warning shot or an order to halt.

"The preceding account is a result of an extensive three week 'Peoples' investigation.

"There was no newspaper account of the police shooting until Thursday, April 15, 1971, which was three weeks later. The ONLY reason it received any news coverage then was because James had been released from the hospital on Wednesday, April 14, 1971, and had to be readmitted to Crozer-Chester Medical Center about 1:30 A.M. the following day due to hemorrhaging. (Note: James was in the intensive care unit before he was released and after his readmittance to CCMC).

"Contrary to the account given in the Delaware County Times, April 15, 1971, 1) the police shooting did not occur on Monday, March 29, 1971, but rather on Saturday, March 27, 1971. 2) Patrolman Ronald J. Tussie did not manage to place James into the patrol car. 3) Patrolman Ronald J. Tussie did not order James to halt. After Patrolman Tussie shot James, he ran to James' side, turned him over, and then, and only then did Patrolman Tussie return to his car and make his eloquent statement over the police radio, 'I think I shot him.' Patrolman Ronald J. Tussie, YOU KNOW DAMN WELL YOU SHOT HIM!.."

One of the first moves the People's Committee made after this was to let their demands regarding this tragic incident be known to the local government officials. Below is the text of a letter, dated June 2nd, that the People's Committee sent to the Mayor of Chester, John Macrelli:

"We, the People's Committee are very concerned about the brutality against black citizens in our community. Police brutality by white and some black policemen in Chester has now become a problem of crisis proportions.

"The Chester police are seen by the majority of black citizens in their communities as the perpetrators of violence rather than as the protectors of the peace. Accepting the realities of this fact, the black community People's Committee has now decided to turn to itself and create a meaningful change in the operation of your (our) police department as they now exist.

"The slaughter of black community citizens by the Chester police must be stopped.

"The recent case of the shooting of James Blackwell is a specific case that we are bringing to your attention.

"In as much as we know that you are aware of this serious situation, we demand that you inform the citizens of Chester as to what action has been taken to alleviate the same."

The people of the Black community of Chester are setting a clearly fine example of how a united community can begin to move to have control of its police and all other community institutions.

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PEOPLE OF BERKELEY DEMAND CITY COUNCIL AID IN FREE HEALTH SERVICE



John Turner of Berkeley Branch,
B.P.P., presenting demands

On Wednesday, June 23rd, the Black Community of Berkeley (California) turned out in mass at the Berkeley City Council meeting to demand that the Black Panther Party's Bobby Seale People's Free Health Clinic receive support for the Free Health programs operating there. Because the newly-elected City Council now consists of three new council members - D'Army Bailey, Ira Simmons and Iona Hancock - who have shown a desire to truly serve the best interests of the community, and with newly-elected Black Mayor Warren Widener, the People are in a strategic position to apply pressure to the institutions which represent them, to demand their basic needs be met. To insure our survival, we need decent housing, proper medical care, proper clothing, jobs, etc. The effective way in which this pressure can be

brought to bear is through a structured, disciplined vehicle or organization in the community, which represents the true interests of the community. The Black Panther Party intends to serve as that community vehicle through which the needs and desires of the People can be met, by advocating and pointing out those needs and desires, so that the community itself can move step by step to be satisfied until the demand for full freedom will be satisfied. The June 23rd Berkeley City Council meeting was an excellent example of how this can work:

The following are excerpts from the presentation made to the City Council: "As you probably know, because of inadequate medical attention, because of

from the particular environment from which we came caused the naturally sickled shape of some of our red blood cells to take on negative characteristics - eventually developing into a fatal, anemic blood disease, Sickle Cell Anemia. Now the only way to alleviate this problem, which kills one in every hundred Black people, we must develop the resources which will allow us to conduct an intelligent investigation."

It was also pointed out there that in addition to the necessity of having the equipment to detect Sickle Cell Anemia, other vital medical equipment is required to treat and main-



Ira Simmons, Mayor Warren Widener, Iona Hancock and D'Army Bailey

the inability to secure adequate medical facilities with services that the people can afford, it was necessary for the Black Panther Party to implement Free Health clinics to serve that need. Inadequate medical attention is one of the many forms of violence levelled at us by the oppressor. We recognize that in order to survive, we must create institutions in our communities which will insure our survival. Our Free Health Program is one such institution. In order to transform our health institutions to a higher qualitative state of existence, in order that the people be provided with the best modern technology has to offer, we must have access to that technology - which has been denied us. . .

"We are presently testing and conducting research on a disease which was caused by our captivity from the African continent. Removing our race

tain the people's good health and prevent diseases before they begin. For example, there is a need for X-Ray equipment, laboratory equipment (such as microscopes), dental equipment, etc.

The Berkeley City Council will vote on the people's proposals very shortly. We are notifying the entire Berkeley Community in general, and the Black Community in particular that if everyone comes out to demand that the Council perform in the desired manner to support the People's health needs, which can be met at the Bobby Seale People's Free Health Clinic, we can begin to take control of our community institutions.

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Berkeley Branch
Black Panther Party

BARBEE FIGHTS FOR RIGHTS OF FORMER INMATES

The following two comments from Wisconsin State Assemblyman Lloyd Barbee further prove his dedication to the righteous struggle of Black and poor people in this country for total freedom. These particular statements from his office, which we quote below, are clearly made in the interest of the brothers and sisters who have suffered all the miserable conditions that are part of being incarcerated in America's prisons and jails, and who, when released, suffer the indignity of a government's lack of compassion and concern for such a person:

This week the Assembly Judiciary Committee made a favorable recommendation on my proposal to make it possible for a person convicted of a felony to get a license to practice all of the professions in the state, if he has been successfully rehabilitated.

Present law indicates that anyone convicted of a felony can lose his license or if he has been convicted of a felony he cannot get a license in the first place.

This is a violation of the concept that people who have been convicted of a crime and have served their sentence have given society its pound of flesh.

I hope that the action of the Judiciary Committee is an indication that the state of Wisconsin is moving in the direction of utilizing all the potentialities of its inhabitants rather than forever damning people for past mistakes. A reformed man is wiser and better than a self-righteous hypocrite.

People who have been convicted of felonies and have served their terms should not be penalized in other walks of life.

For example, one of the requirements that an individual must meet before being allowed to enter many of Wisconsin's restrictively licensed occupations is that that person be of "good moral character."

I am sure that in the eyes of the members of the state's middle class white orientated examining boards for our licensed professions, a felony conviction would not be in keeping with what they consider "good moral character."



It is certainly time that we take the power of denying anyone the right to enter a profession from the white-middle class puritans' definition of "good moral character."

A bill that would make it easier for ex-convicts to get jobs has been introduced by State Representative Lloyd A. Barbee.

The Barbee measure calls for expunging (erasing) the criminal record of a person if he hasn't been arrested for or convicted of a crime for the previous 3-year period, if he isn't

serving a sentence, parole or probation, and if he isn't appealing a pending criminal case.

The Milwaukee lawmaker explained how the measure would aid job-seeking former criminals.

"At the present time, an employer is not likely to hire a man whom he knows has a criminal record. And if the ex-convict fills out a job application form and doesn't mention his record, the employer can fire him for filling out a fraudulent form. Thus, he is ineligible for unemployment compensation."

"If a man's criminal past is wiped out, he would be under no obligation to reveal it to an employer and the employer would feel less obliged to seek it or be influenced by it. The current law permitting a man's criminal record to remain has a bad effect on both the man seeking a job and potential employer. By changing the law, we are making life easier for both parties and society."

The Barbee Bill would also apply to a man's appearances in court. An individual's record of convictions and arrests for the period expunged would not be admissible in any proceeding. The person would not have to disclose his expunged criminal record and there would be no penalties for failing to disclose it.

"The whole point of the bill is to make sure we do not punish a man more than once for a crime. Conviction of a former crime should not prevent a man from getting a job or a fair deal in court," Barbee said. Rehabilitation and not vengeance is the hallmark of criminal justice. Overpunishment of criminals hurts society as a whole. Man should never permanently damn any of his fellowmen," Barbee concluded.

PARENTS, FRIENDS AND RELATIVES OF SAN QUENTIN INMATES!

The Black Panther Party has noticed that those people who have been able to travel from other places to the Bay Area are having great difficulty getting from airports and bus stations out to San Quentin Prison itself.

Therefore, to meet your needs, we are offering transportation from the airport, etc., to the prison and back.

When you arrive in the Bay Area - or you can call ahead of time and give us your arrival time and information - please contact our Central Headquarters office and we will send transportation for you. If possible, come by the Central Headquarters Office and we can take you from there.

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America's advanced technology, its involvement in the affairs of the entire world have no where a greater effect upon the people of this country than through the sounds, voices and words that come from the U.S. mass media, especially the T.V. T.V. allows for a release for the family at the end of the day, a comfort to the lonely for those interested in understanding their environment. And so it has become the main avenue of brainwashing and programming of all the American people; but for the poor, for Black people, particularly, it is sadly sometimes the only means of communication we have.

Over the past 25 to 30 years, the T.V. boom could be considered the primary cause for the development of the mentality most Americans have - the total superiority towards the other communities of the world, the laziness and apathy toward everything that does not seem to affect the mainstream of American life.

T.V. programs vary from the superbly stated propaganda for the State to the non-sensical escape programs that even children dislike. Over the past ten years many programs have begun to portray Black people as "real Americans". That is, that a great majority of Blacks who are given regular parts on T.V. series find themselves playing the part of traitors to the people, police and government agents.

We must realize that the Blacks who accept these roles do not do so because they enjoy their work, per se, but because these are the only parts usually available to a Black person who is such an artist. In order for them to eat and to also work in that area which they know best, the Black actor is forced to accept such "jobs", if he doesn't want to play the part of a servant, comedian or Hollywood-made "African". The actor is a person who would like to give artistic expression to his special talents, dramatizing real-life situations of the people, giving his special meaning to those situations. Instead of being able to express feeling, emotion, life in the way he feels it, America demands that the Black actor perform in the desired manner, conforming - particularly in the T.V. medium - to some trumped-up version of the ideal of what Washington would like and expect of Black People. Many Black actors have spoken out against this type of treatment, with little avail, for after all a Black actor is a working person, victimized, like all Black people in America, by U.S. fascism and racism.

Ever since the emergence of the Black man on the T.V. screen, we have had to portray the most ignorant, dirty, fearful people on earth, because those who were able to afford T.V.'s would not have accepted us in any other way. With the mass production of appliances and the glorification of television, there are very few of the 205 million American people who are untouched by its message.

Therefore, the images and the roles have changed. The society, of course, has changed. The producers and

directors of T.V. programs know that what was once acceptable to Black people is not anymore. If their government bosses do not tell them, then Watts certainly did. Black People no longer tolerate images like Oreo, Beulah, Stepin' Fetchit. So the arrangers of these programs concoct for their viewers the average American Black person - serving the needs, not of his people, but of this oppressive government, as a guardian of its laws. That is, 76% of the Black people who play roles in serialized T.V. dramas are playing the roles of police and



BILL COSBY
"I Spy"



GAIL FISHER
"Mannix"



ROBERT HOOKS
"N.Y.P.D."

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government agents - traitors to Black People.

One of the first Black men to appear in a regular T.V. series (NBC) of this law-and-order type was Bill Cosby as "Scotty" in the "I Spy" T.V. series. Cosby portrayed a C.I.A. (Central Intelligence Agency) agent; and, not only did he spy and inform for the U.S. government on the people of the world who struggle against oppression and U.S. domination, but he was portrayed as a "human" sort of spy. The image Cosby was made to portray was



that of the Black Man as a C.I.A. agent which was much more effective than the old, white foreign-intrigue type agents. Scotty was a clean-living, fun-loving guy, respected by everyone who knew or didn't know him. He was an American spy, whose only desire was to "stop crime" throughout the communities of the world. He was what Black People were supposed to look up to - a "successful" Black Man. And, to prove how true this was, Cosby himself became the first Black to win a major "Emmy" Award, which he won for playing this part. Prior to this, Bill Cosby had already been a source of pride for Black people, due to his own talents, as the teller of beautiful stories of Black people in the ghetto, using his own childhood memories as a base. So this beautiful talent and popularity among Blacks was used or mis-used by this racist society to perpetrate acceptance of this government's sneak attacks upon the innocent, oppressed people of the world.

The success of the Bill Cosby example, experiment, was followed by Greg Morris' portrayal of another intelligence agent (also C.I.A.) in the "Mission Impossible" Series. His role was similar to Bill Cosby's, one of the few differences being that he had less lines to say. In fact, Hollywood allows Greg Morris, an extremely handsome Black man, to say very few words or lines. Greg Morris as Barney White does his job with the intent of thwarting the power of the people of the world communities (especially the third world ones - Black and other peoples of color), stopping the threat and the spread of "communism". Barney White helps his fellow spies (with the use of his "expertise" with outrageous gadgets and mechanisms) to slip in and out of any situation they create, in their weekly attempts to destroy the rebellions and revolutions of the people. It is hard to dislike Barney White, for he, like many other Black People used in these roles, is physically very beautiful, well-educated and most of all calm (that is, seemingly non-violent). He plays out the role television backers want every Black man to think he should be - a traitor to the human rights and dignity of all men. We cannot hate Barney White, therefore, when he goes into Africa or Latin America or into the Asian communities and destroys a movement for freedom. The people in these countries are always shown as fools, while he and the "Mission Impossible" crew continue to be clear-headed men, functioning out of the desire for world-wide "freedom, justice and peace". Each episode of the program is designed to make every young Black man or child wish to be just like him.

America's television industry wishes us to believe that there is some

choice in programs (and ideas). They want us to believe that the channel knobs and dials mean something, that changing the channel means one really has a selection or choice in what to watch. If we look carefully, we know that station changes have little to do with the sameness of the ideas, the ideology. There is merely a change in location, time and face.

A change from "Mission Impossible" to "Mod Squad". Clarence Williams as "Mod Squad's" Linc (Lincoln Hayes - ABC Series) has almost become a household personality. People have become accustomed to turning on their T.V.'s at 7:30 on Tuesday nights to view him looking seriously from beneath his Mod sunglasses at the cruel, crime-ridden world. Linc differs from the Greg Morris-Bill Cosby types because his terrain is the typical, American community. He is a local government agent - an agent of the F.B.I. His mannerisms are supposed to be those of the young, Black male, up from the ghetto. Not only do Black children and young Black men identify with him, but Black women often find him a kind of ideal man, attractive, gentle, unafraid - the symbol of the New Black Man. One thing Linc Hayes, however, does not fail to be is a traitor to his People. Linc is vicious. He uses the people's trust in him, in his beautiful Black manhood, to bring them eventual harm, in the form of arrest and imprisonment, or death. In some instances, he is even shown using a Black woman's love for him to extract information he and his young, white partners feel would lead to the arrest of a "criminal". When Linc apprehends the criminal and the story finishes with the "Mod Squad" walking off into the American nightmare, we are supposed to feel proud and protected.

There are a few other T.V. series that are made in order to make us believe that the American government is fair and just, through the exploitation of the artistic talents of Black people. The "Mannix" Series (CBS) is another. A Black woman, Gail Fisher, acts out the role of Peggy, the secretary and co-detective of Detective Mannix, the perfect detective. One episode, for example, showed Mannix saving her and her son from the clutches of another white man. Saving her portrays the wish of the power structure to show that detectives, policemen, agents, spies and the like can be "good" people. They love children too - even Black children. We saw in that particular show that this Black woman not only condones the law and order stand her boss takes, but she has no trouble, therefore, loving him as a man. Mannix, the All-American Man. We could go on to name, describe and discuss all the other T.V. pro-

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F.B.I. FILES IN THE HANDS OF THE PEOPLE

In March of this year, files from the Media, Pennsylvania F.B.I. Office were taken by the Citizen's Committee to Investigate the F.B.I. This was done in order to let the people see and understand the nature of this country's madness, fear and lack of understanding of the problems of Black and poor people, and how such mania gives rise to the fascist, gestapo-like activities of J. Edgar Hoover's Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Their fear is that the Black and oppressed people in this country in union with the oppressed of the world might topple the overwhelming power of the few ruling elite of the U.S. and return that power to its rightful place - in the hands of the masses of people. In an effort to prevent this day of complete liberation for Black People and of all power belonging to the people from ever coming into being, armed troops are sent out to protect, defend and prevent any activity that could crush the imperialist fortress, from within or without. The F.B.I.'s insane involvement with their assigned task must be clearly seen to even be believed.

The spying on Black student groups and newspapers because they are considered subversive and violent, and on the whole Black Community, and its organizations, because it is subversive to the maintenance of our oppression, is an intensive and thorough that only the depraved minds of J. Edgar and company could even keep it up.

We, therefore, wish to pass the information on to more people so that everyone can be on guard, aware of the F.B.I.'s desire to divide us and therefore conquer us. To be aware of the very purposeful viciousness and violence that is most of the time covert, undercover and out of sight.

They seem to enjoy finding situations where a conflict has arisen, so that they can gain an informant. For instance, an argument between a man and his wife working for the people would be a situation that would even be of interest to them. But their lack of understanding of the movement for freedom is one of the many reasons why they are often inaccurate in their reports.

The liberated files begin with information gathered on the Black Economic Development Conference. This group seems to upset them because of the money that flows through the hands of Black people, even though it is relatively little, especially in comparison with what they (the pigs) protect. Even more upsetting to them is the fact that checks were cashed which they claim were used for "personal" reasons. On a page marked "Leads: The Bell Telephone Company", we can see one concrete way in which the telephone company is part of the whole spy operation. They verified whether or not the two men in question in connection with the use of the funds of the B.E.D.C. were the same. They also note that they would continue to monitor the bank account, all of which receipts the F.B.I. also had on file.

Another section of the files deals with the Black Panther



Party; and, because these files came from a Pennsylvania F.B.I. office, they contain information on the Philadelphia Branch of the Party. Here the F.B.I. seems to be at its best. A great deal of these reports are gotten through tape recordings of telephone conversations. The compiled information ranges from who is in charge of the Breakfast Program-Liberation School to when a sister's baby is due to be born.

After the Philadelphia conversations were listed, conversations between Chicago and Philadelphia were monitored. They concerned a truck used to transport food to the Revolutionary People's Constitutional Convention, and how many reams of mimeograph paper were in stock. This shows that even though there was no conversation that

could be interpreted by them as subversive, they did not hesitate to tap the lines, and did not give up. They made themselves believe that information about trucks and paper and babies and schools was a threat to their "internal security".

Part three of the Media Files deals with racial informants from the "ghetto". This is the portion of the files which shows the calculating scheming of the forces of law and order to spy on and keep in check the entire Black Community. They send in an agent, have the agent file eligible informants names, have them both work together to destroy unity in the community.

In a memo dated February 26, 1968 which that headquarters of the F.B.I. sent out to all their agents in the area, agents were ordered that "It is essential that this office develop a large number of additional racial informants and exploit their potential during the months ahead. (suggested are) individuals, white and black, who live and/or work in ghetto type areas and are in a position to advise of activities, rumors, tensions, etc. in those ghettos." That same memo went on to say that the best sources for ghetto informants are F.B.I. employees' friends, employees and owners of businesses in ghetto areas which might include taverns, liquor stores, drugstores, pawn shops, gun shops, barber shops, janitors of apartment buildings, etc. The Bureau also suggests contacts with persons who frequently visit ghetto areas on a regular basis such as taxi drivers, salesmen and distributors of newspapers, food and beverages. Installment collectors might also be considered in this regard." All this information was to be turned in to SA (we assume this means Special Agent) Edward Cole.

Also mentioned here were the areas in the Black community in Philadelphia listed for watching: "South Philadelphia - South Street...; West Philadelphia - Lancaster Ave., 52nd St., 60th St., Mantua, Powelton Village...; North Philadelphia - Columbia Ave., Susquehanna Ave., Germantown Ave. east of Broad, Germantown, Strawberry Mansion." And there were listed the "logical meeting places where ghetto informants might be sent in order to gather information for this office: Black House, 73 West Columbia Avenue...; CORE, 2229 North Broad Street...; SCLC, 2511 Girard, Second Floor...; The Black Coalition 5318 Chestnut Street; The Ghetto Training Center, 1441 South Street; Church of the Advocate, 18th and Diamond (Rev. PAUL WASHINGTON)...; The New World Book Fair; Harle's Book Store...; Community Book Store...; North Philadelphia - Green's Cafe...; Whimpy's Cafe...; Taproom located on the Southwest Corner of 29th and Westmoreland, A luncheonette located on the west side of Germantown Avenue just south of High Street; West Philadelphia - Gus Silk's Bar...; Nixon Theater...; Foo Foo's Cafe...; Taproom located on the Northwest corner of 45th and Parrish; South Philadelphia - Settlement House... The bars and luncheonettes located on South Street from 13th to 16th Streets." This memo concluded, "The Bureau has also instructed that we immediately ascertain among all Negro informants, including ghetto informants, which informants are planning to enter college this fall and would be in a position to infiltrate black power groups on campuses..." These names were to be given to SA Terence D. Dinam.

Their plan is vicious, yet what they fail to do is to understand that all of their speculation about Black People is just that.

The last thing they were told to find out about was who colleges or universities young Black people planned to attend in Pennsylvania. In a memo dated November 4, 1970 the local director orders his agents to get information on "... Black Student Unions (BSU) and similar group which are targets for influence and control by violence prone Black Panther Party (BPP) and other extremists. The distribution of the BPP newspaper on college campuses and speakers of the BPP and other black extremist groups on campuses clearly indicate that campuses are targets of extremists. Effective immediately, a BSUs and similar organizations organized to project the demands of black students, which are not presently under investigation, are to be subjects of discreet, preliminary inquiries..."

If the F.B.I. spent more time investigating the filth this government, instead of the people, maybe all this might prove useful. But then the F.B.I. is an integral important arm of this government, which has been unable like all other pig organizations, to fool the people into believing that it protects and serves. We will unite our community right under their watchful eyes and noses and move for total freedom and liberation.

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grams that are directed at the Black community for the purpose of keeping us quiet, but they are all just variations on a theme. For instance, Robert Hooks' role in "N.Y.P.D." (New York Police Department); and Don Mitchell's place on "Ironside". One is a detective; the other is the right hand man and best friend to a crippled, white pig. It is not hard to see that with the country in turmoil within and without, the T.V. networks, as the main organ of propaganda for the U.S. government, fearing the rising up of the masses of Black and poor and other people of color, are used like every other weapon, including guns, used against us to stifle the natural rebellion and anger in the People, especially the Black People of the U.S. They attempt to pacify

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us, to fool us with their images and symbols of good and bad.

Black artists deserve the right to express their art in the way in which they see fit. Our people with such skills should not be stifled in their expression, but should be free to play only those roles which they desire. We know the difficulty of getting such work and trying to eat and have a place to sleep. And we support the struggle that our Black artists have been waging to gain such freedom of expression.

But we never liked Stepin' Fetchit, and we don't like him now, with his well-educated voice and language and his fancy clothes. He's still a disgrace to Black People.

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POLICE BRUTALITY SURGING UPWARD



There were no weapons in this house - There was a small Black child

Throughout the U.S., the police forces have been increasingly mounting attacks against the Black and poor communities. Ever since the days when Black and other poor people of color came to this country the forces of law and order from slaveowner to slaveowner have tried to control the People by physical force and mental harassment. The list of those waiting to collect on damage done to their humanity is getting longer and longer.

LOS ANGELES... On May 27, 1971, the Los Angeles Police Department, with no regard for human lives or personal property, pulled a typical gестапо-type raid on the home of Mr. and Mrs. John King, at 12812 Montford Street, Pacoima (a suburb of Los Angeles), California. Initially the fascists were reportedly looking for two Black Brothers who neither lived there nor had been seen there. Realizing their own stupid mistake, the pigs changed their reason for the raid and claimed they were looking for weapons - which were never found.

Mr. and Mrs. King were not at home at the time of the incident. The pigs first blocked off the street and then proceeded to carry out their fascist mission of search and destroy. The tactics used on the people inside the house were done to terrorize. Guns were drawn; a shot-gun was put to the head of Gemile King, the six-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. King.

After ransacking the entire house, the pigs left only to deal another blow to the King family. They went to the nearby wash house, around the corner, where Mr. and Mrs. King were washing the family clothes. Mr. King, who had no idea of what had happened in his home, was brutally beaten and handcuffed. The pigs kicked Mrs. King to the point where she had to receive medical attention.

The injustice that befell the King family at the hands of the pigs is just one in many injustices that occur constantly throughout the Black communities of the U.S. Empire.

SEATTLE... Another instance of harassment occurred on Saturday, May 30, 1971, between one and one-thirty in the morning. Officers Stephen Faye and Roy Gleason, of the Bellevue Police Department, attempted to conduct a midnight raid on a Seattle residence. Officer Gleason was the first spotted peeping in the windows of that house. Realizing that his partner had been spotted and might be mistaken for a voyeur ("peeping tom"), officer Faye approached the house and knocked on the door. Officer Faye asked the Sister, Gladys Muirhead, who opened the door if Robert Wagner was "at home". Gladys Muirhead informed them that Robert Wagner did not live there and that he was not there at that time. Pig Faye, operating completely outside the very law he alleges to enforce, then asked if the person sitting at the table inside the house were Robert Wagner. Gladys again repeated that Wagner was not there, and so that certainly could not be him at her table. Then, with nothing left to do, no more subtle fascist moves to make, Faye and Gleason attempted to actually force their way into the house.

They were clearly told that they were not welcome in that house, and that they could not come in without a warrant. But only after Gladys Muirhead struggled with them a while, repeating her requests for them to leave, did these pigs finally leave. At no time would they nor did they state the nature of their visit. And although they refused to produce a search or arrest warrant, they did state that they did not need one. Faye and Gleason said that they only wanted to talk to Robert Wagner. But upon leaving, they threatened to return with some kind of warrant for the arrest of all residents of 723 South Homer Street.

Repeated attempts to file a complaint through regular channels have been unsuccessful.

Alameda County Jail, again searched and finally fingerprinted. He was never booked or charged with any specific violation of the law. After more interrogation, he was pushed against a cell and the cell door was slammed on his thumb; in fact, they broke his thumb. He was then forced into a small cell, receiving no medical attention.

The next morning, he was taken to court for a "traffic ticket". An old traffic violation had been dug up by the pigs as their excuse for Rudolph's arrest. He was released from traffic court on his own recognizance and told by the judge that he would have to appear in another court for the incident that had happened the night before. However, when the pigs took him out of traffic court, they instead stripped him of his clothes and put him into a solitary



Rudolph Ray and family

OAKLAND... On June 9, 1971, Rudolph Ray and a few of his friends were standing and talking to one another on the corner of 53rd and Gaskill Streets. While they were talking, a police car pulled up in front of the Brothers and two pigs jumped out, snatched Rudolph to the side and began searching him. After searching him and finding no weapon or other "criminal material", they offered the feeble excuse that there had been some shooting going on in that area, and that they were checking him as a possible suspect. They never mentioned when or where the shooting occurred or who was supposed to have been shot. Rudolph was then put into a paddy wagon and taken to the

confinement cell. At about 2:30 am, they came back and gave him his clothes and property, releasing him completely. Without any further explanation.

These three examples of unnecessary physical and mental harassment show the need of the oppressor to display his strength through force. The only way we can curtail these invasions upon our human rights is to curtail the forces of law and order; the only way we can curtail the forces of law and order is to control our communities.

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AND THEY WOULD VIOLATE THEIR LAWS TO CONVICT RANDY

The American judicial system has always been a ready and willing tool in this fascist Empire's genocidal plot against Black People. Because of this racist, bureaucratic system, legal lynching, political frame-ups, trials by racist juries of non-peers, fascist railroads have become the order of the day for Black People, who are forced to stand trial for our very existence and survival within this society. The attempted legal lynching of Ruchell Magee by the Marin County courts through their repeated appointment of court-hired lawyers rather than allowing him his legal right to the attorney of his choice is merely one such example. (Magee was railroaded to San Quentin in 1965, when such a court-appointed attorney pled him guilty over his protests and his own plea of Not Guilty.) And, the recent trial of David Hilliard, Chief of Staff of the Black Panther Party, in which a jury of non-peers - not one Black person on the jury - convicted him on two counts of assault with a deadly weapon, even though there was no evidence that he even had a weapon. This is another example of the type of "justice" Black people face daily in the American courts.

Randy Williams, a twenty-eight year old father of seven, Viet Nam veteran and dedicated member of the Black Panther Party, is awaiting trial on charges of attempted murder and assault with a deadly weapon upon Oakland (California) pigs who viciously attacked and kidnapped him on the night of April 17, 1970.

Since his incarceration in April of 1970, Randy has encountered a long train of abuses and judicial treachery, all designed to railroad him to prison forever. The first tactic employed was the attempt to slander and defame Randy's character through the press, which portrayed him as a vicious killer and a threat to the community. Statements from various officials in the Oakland Police Department and so-called reliable sources called attention to Randy's Service Record to this fascist country in the 101st Airborne Division of the U.S. Army as proof of his expertise with weapons, justifying their statement that he was the "weapons procurer and gun smith" of the Black Panther Party. Because he left their mercenary armed forces of the U.S., because he refused to be Black cannon fodder in their unjust wars, they say

that Randy is a vicious killer. And further, some of these same "reliable sources" have even placed Randy at the scenes of all the unsolved attacks on pigs and pig stations in the California Bay Area, including an incident that occurred as recently as March, 1971. Randy has been in their jail since April of 1970.

When attempts were made to bail Randy out of jail in October of 1970, his rights were blatantly violated. That is, Randy's original exorbitant bail of \$150,000. had been generously reduced to \$75,000. at a bail reduction hearing in August of 1970. In spite of this tactic, the People managed to raise the money. On October 20th of that year, Randy's wife, Mary, and an attorney attempted to post his bail. They had bonds valued at \$81,725., which is \$6,725. over the required ransom. They obtained a court order from Judge Raymond Staats of Alameda County, directing that the Court Clerk accept the bonds at full value as payment for Randy's bail. The order was presented to the Court Clerk, and Mary and the attorney were given a Cashier's Receipt, indicating that bail had been paid and posted. The attorney and Mrs. Williams presented this Cashier's Receipt to the Alameda County Sheriff's Department, which was holding Randy.

The Sheriff's Department refused to accept the receipt, saying that they wanted to see a certified copy of the judge's court order before they would accept their own receipt. While Randy's wife and attorney went to get another certified copy of the court order, the Sheriff's Department quickly called the District Attorney, who quickly called Judge Staats to remind him of who Randy was - a member of the Black Panther Party. And to find out whether he really meant to release Randy.

So naturally the judge refused to release Randy. The whole question they said was that bail was being paid in the form of California State government bonds. The face value of these bonds was, as we stated above, over the amount required. However, they had not matured. No where in the California legal codes does it stipulate that bonds must be at full maturity before they can be acceptable for bail payments. Their law does state, however, that bonds may be used for bail, to be given credit for the amount shown on the face of the bond.



RANDY WILLIAMS

Racist Judge Staats had nerve enough to say that although the law was clear, that is, that he should accept the bonds, that he would not accept them because they challenged the constitutionality of the law. He said that he would use Randy's case to question this law.

It was a violation of Randy's Eighth Amendment Rights to have such a high and unreasonable bail set in the first place. Secondly, the requirement of a court order to accept the bail amount was illegal, because there is no law or legal procedure that says in order for bail to be posted, one must obtain a court order. But the pig's refusal to accept bail at all, once it had been raised, was the most flagrant violation of their law, let alone Randy's rights.

Because of the political nature of the charges against Randy, it was illegal and virtually impossible to obtain a lawyer for him, who was willing to handle the case for the entire duration of his trial. It will be a very long and difficult attempted legal railroad. An attorney has finally, just recently, been obtained.

Randy Williams now sits in the Alameda County Jail awaiting trial. He has been there now for more than a year, supposedly being considered innocent until proven guilty. On July 6th, in Department 7 of the Alameda County Court, at 9:15 am, the final stage of the attempt to railroad Randy Williams will begin. We urge the people in the community, Randy's friends and peers to be at the hearing to show their support. Or, you might be called upon jury duty to give him concrete support.

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THERE WILL NEVER BE JUSTICE IN THE AMERICAN
COURTS UNTIL THE PEOPLE ARE THE JUDGES

**THE TRIAL OF HUEY P. NEWTON,
MINISTER OF DEFENSE
OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY,
HAS BEGUN:**

**COME EVERYDAY TO:
ALAMEDA COUNTY COURTHOUSE
TWELFTH AND FALLON STREETS
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA**

**9:15 AM
DEPARTMENT 3
SIXTH FLOOR
COURT OF JUDGE HOVE**

VISITING NO PRIVILEGE

On June 2nd, the brother of Brad Lilley of the High Point Four (North Carolina), Gary Lilley, a member of the Winston-Salem Branch of the Black Panther Party, went to visit Brad in jail. Gary received the usual harassment that members of political prisoners' families receive when visiting. During the visit, Brad began to tell his brother of some of the treatment/

soap and toilet paper. They have been served food that was uneatable. And their mail has been constantly delayed or "lost". And up until recently, even their mothers were denied the right to visit them. And they had no ability to give the word to the outside. So that finally, when visiting privileges were established, the brothers had much to tell their families and friends.

High Point City Jail. He spoke out boldly of all the injustices being perpetrated behind those walls. Because they know what happens when the people hear the truth, the officials of the jail, demonstrating their real lack of concern for the rights of any Black or oppressed person (for it is the Black and poor who fill the jails and prisons of this country), cut off all visiting



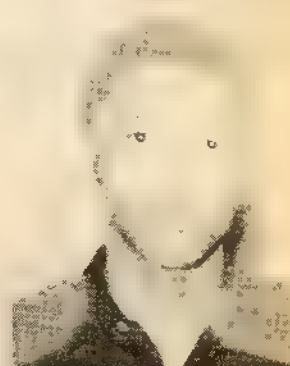
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mis-treatment that the pigs have been giving to the High Point Four and the other inmates at High Point City Jail.

Brad Lilley, and the rest of the High Point Four, had been arrested on February 10, 1971, when the High Point Police Department staged a vicious attack on the Black Community Information Center there. As a result of this vicious attack, one comrade was wounded and four comrades were arrested and charged with Conspiracy to Commit Murder (on attacking police officers). Bond was set for them at \$60,000. each. This trumped-up charge was eventually changed and the bond lowered to \$15,000. for the false charge of Assault with the Intent to Kill. These comrades, Larry Medley, 16; Randy Jennings, 17; George Dewitt, 17; and Brad Lilley, 19 have been incarcerated since that time, awaiting trial.

These comrades have been the victims of a display of fascism that can only be found in the maximum prisons and jails of America. They have been put into solitary confinement, where they sleep on damp cement floors; they have been put into isolation, where roaches cover them at night; they have been put into the tank (the hole), where the pigs allow the water in the so-called toilet facility to flow up through the hole within the cells. When these brothers refused to accept a court-appointed lawyer, the pigs again put them into solitary confinement. They have been denied canteen services and such necessities as

This is why Gary Lilley had to see his brother so that someone could get help to them.

Because they knew that the exchange that took place between these two brothers might expose their vicious activities, the pigs attempted to cut short the visiting hours, ordering Brad to return to his cell, and, Gary to leave the building. Both refused to adhere to this "order"; their visit had only been five minutes at that point. They knew that they were well within their rights to continue visiting, since the allotted visiting time is much more than five minutes. At this point, both of the brothers demanded these rights, protesting this violation and reminding these pigs of the overall inhuman conditions and treatment under which all the inmates suffer there at High Point City Jail.

Because they merely spoke out against such conditions, both Brad, supposedly the inmate, and Gary, supposedly the visitor, were immediately attacked by guards. They both naturally defended themselves. All this was going on in full view of several other people waiting for visits with their loved ones imprisoned there.

Brad was immediately taken back to solitary confinement. But, before Gary was forced to leave that day, he let everyone there who hadn't seen the brutal incident for themselves know what had happened and generally what was happening to the inmates of the

privileges for that entire day. And Gary was finally forcefully removed from the jail premises.

That there is a struggle in the streets as well as within the prisons is obvious. The pigs no longer attempt to hide the barbarous treatment or the inhuman living conditions of prisoners. They no longer bother to hold up a cordial facade to prisoners' families when they visit their relatives. They will issue just as much of their brutality to the families and friends of political prisoners, particularly, as to the prisoners themselves. For they recognize the ever-strengthening bond between those in the maximum security prisons and the social prisons of the community. And they see anyone from within or without who is capable and willing to expose them as a threat to their security. But, they cannot and will not break the bond between nor crush the spirit of the political prisoners and the community. We will simply work that much harder to Free the High Point Four and the People.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
North Carolina Chapter
BLACK PANTHER PARTY

Contributions to aid in the legal fight to free the High Point Four may be sent to: The High Point Four Legal Defense Fund, P.O. Box 2019, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.



The streets of the Black Community have become the dumping grounds for the City's trash.

WAR ON TRASH

The Black Community of the City of Philadelphia, the city which was the seat of the colonial government after the first Europeans came here and organized their government on the land of the Native Americans (Indians), where Betsy Ross made their flag and where the Constitution of the U.S. was created, the Black Community here seems to have become the dumping ground for all the rubbish of the entire city. And the city government has refused to do anything about the filthy streets but participate in keeping them that way.

The people took action against the city because of the old cars that couldn't be moved; the trucks filled with dead rats and live ones as big as cats; dirt and trash of all sorts lying everywhere.

The people have asked the city many times to move the old cars and trucks filled with trash and to do something with the old, run-down abandoned houses on many of the Black community streets. After approximately six months of calling City Hall about alleviation of the wretched conditions the community got together, realizing they could not get any action from the city officials. They pulled one of the old cars into the street along with the trash-filled trucks and turned them over in the middle of the street (which is one of the main strips in North Philadelphia), blocking all traffic between 23rd and Ridge Ave., 25th and Ridge



We will continue the War on Trash

and Montgomery Avenues. The people turned over all the trash right into the street, blocking traffic until the trash was cleared away.

The concerned Black people of that community, also along with the Black Panther Party, then began staying in the streets day and night. This began on Monday, June 21st. The people again blocked off the streets - 23rd and Ridge to 23rd and Columbia Ave. to 24th Street. No traffic was allowed to pass until the demands of the community

were met and the old cars were towed from the streets, until the trucks of trash were taken off the streets of the Black community.

We have slept in the streets for several nights now, blocking traffic from morning to night. We will continue to stop traffic until our streets have traffic lights and our children are safe, and the trash and old cars and trucks are out of our community. We will continue the war on trash.

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Pennsylvania State Chapter
Black Panther Party

NOTE: A petition is being circulated throughout the Black community of Philadelphia. A signature will demonstrate your support and desire to help clean up the streets of our community.

BLACK SERVICEMAN'S CAUCUS

MESSAGE OF SOLIDARITY TO OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS

The Black Serviceman's Caucus is an organization of active duty GI's who are committed to responding progressively to the cries of our people for total liberation and freedom.

We recognize that our struggle is only a part of a larger struggle for liberation that is taking place in the communities of our brothers and sisters, but we feel it to be a very important part because of the role that the military has played in suppressing the people in the streets of our communities and campuses. We are determined and committed to playing our part in the elimination of this racist, capitalist society that has enslaved our people for 400 years.

We have been silent, but no longer! We can not and will not endorse, support and fight for a system that maintains the oppression of Black and all oppressed people through out the world!

We realize that we can expect attacks to be made against the people's just struggle and those who fight for justice and peace for all people and it's with this

realization that we make our commitment to the people's struggle. We here express our solidarity and offer our bodies and souls to the liberation of our people.

DEMANDS:

1. End to the exploitation and oppression of our brothers and sisters in the community.
2. End to all rules and regulations that prohibit Black Servicemen from engaging in the struggle for liberation in their communities.
3. A Black Studies and Cultural center that will serve us as a club that can be representative of our culture and heritage.
4. The end of the use of the military in the streets and on the campuses of the U.S.
5. We demand that dishonorably discharging individuals from the Armed Services be prohibited.

6. We demand the right to have and to pass on to our brothers material relevant to our culture, heritage and present situation.

7. We demand that the base library provide literature on our "TRUE" heritage and culture.

8. We demand that our brothers and sisters in the military be tried by a jury of their own peers.

9. We demand fair representation.

10. We accuse the military system of the United States to be racist and a tool of the racist power structure that is attempting to destroy and suppress the cries of Black people and all oppressed people throughout the world—this must end.

WE ARE UNITED, WE ARE STRONG AND DETERMINED TO BRING ABOUT AN END TO YOUR REIGN OF TERROR; FOR OUR CHILDREN'S SAKE LIBERATION WILL BE OURS!

Black Serviceman's Caucus
Long Beach, Calif.

BLACK WRITERS AND JOURNALISTS HELP YOUR COMMUNITY

Use your skills to the benefit of the Black Community by spreading the information that will help everyone in our communities. What's happening in your Community can be heard around the world. The Black Panther Intercommunal News Service is asking that you submit news articles or informative essays to our paper for publishing. Help the voice of the people be heard throughout the land.

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SERVE THE PEOPLE BODY AND SOUL

The line dividing the progressive people from the machinery of oppression is ever widening as the people begin to realize that there can no longer be a middle of the road position with regards to freedom for the people of the world; however, it has only been within the past few years that the American people have shed their rose-colored glasses and patriotic blinders to face the reality of what their country is doing to the world's population. With the realization of the American role comes the closer examination of all the things that had really never been questioned before...the 'amerikkkan dream', the foreign policy, the treatment of minority peoples within this society, the real role of the 'police' and the press in this community.

We found that we as citizens of this country were being kept duped by the government and misinformed by the mass media.

The Black Panther Party has been organized to serve the needs of the people of the Black community and to educate and politicize the masses of Black people, but the Black Panther Party realizes that racism can only be eliminated by solidarity among oppressed people and the education of all the people. It is the news and problems of Black and oppressed people in America and the world that are dealt with in the Black Panther.

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FIGHT SICKLE CELL ANEMIA



The above photo is of Theresa Murphy, age 7, who is a positive sickle cell case. She is standing in front of a magnified illustration of the red blood cells taken from a patient in a sickle cell crisis. The cells are sickled, stretching away from their normal donut shape.

**HELP DESTROY
ONE OF THE ATTEMPTS
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BLACK GENOCIDE

Sickle Cell Anemia is a deadly blood disease that is peculiar to black people; that is, practically all of its victims are black people. The racist U.S. power structure has no intention of ceasing this form of genocide, since it is this racist power structure that perpetuates this disease.

Therefore the Black Panther Party is initiating a program to help research really begin that can eventually discover the cure and prevention of Sickle Cell Anemia.

A fund has been established for this purpose. Your contribution, therefore, can be sent to:

Dr. Bert Small, Chairman, People's Sickle Cell Anemia Fund, c/o
The Bobby Seale People's Free Health Clinic, P.O. Box 8642
Emeryville, California 94608 call (415) 633-2534 - 848-7740.

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There were no Black
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